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THOMAS) and others, dealing with medical savings accounts, is a very important provision. Last night the gentleman from California (Mr. THOMAS) told us how the 18- to 29-year-olds are increasingly drawn to the prospect of putting dollars aside to plan for their health care. This is a very important step that we can take to deal with the issue of the uninsured; and, of course, affordability. Affordability is something that we are all very, very troubled about. And how is it that we most effectively deal with it? Well, obviously, we have to have some degree of competition, and I think that we have a chance to do that as we move ahead with this legislation.

We have all worked hard. People keep talking about looking at the fine print. As the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. Hastert) said on Meet the Press last Sunday, 98 percent of this bill was agreed to in a bipartisan way. We focused on a very small part of it that was an area of disagreement, and we have seen the President of the United States step forward with a wonderful array of proposals.

This morning he talked to us in the Republican Conference about the wonderful successes that we have enjoyed over the last 6 months in the area of education, tax relief, his faith-based initiatives, the energy measure which we successfully passed here late last night, and now this issue on a Patients' Bill of Rights. It was a key plan of his platform when he ran for President. He said all along that he did not want to veto legislation.

Mr. Speaker, we have here the chance to, from the House of Representatives. pass legislation which the President of the United States can sign so that we can enhance those issues of affordability and availability that are so important and so badly needed, and so that we can ensure that we have a meaningful and balanced Patients' Bill of Rights.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support the rule, to support the Norwood amendment, and to support the other two very important amendments we have on medical malpractice and on the issue of accessibility with medical savings accounts. Support the rule and support those measures.

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

CALL OF THE HOUSE

Mr. GOSS, Mr. Speaker, I move a call of the House.

A call of the House was ordered.

The call was taken by electronic device, and the following Members responded to their names:

[Roll No. 324]

Abercrombie	Baca	Barcia
Ackerman	Bachus	Barr
Aderholt	Baird	Barrett
Akin	Baker	Bartlett
Allen	Baldacci	Barton
Andrews	Baldwin	Bass
Armey	Rallenger	Recerra

Bentsen Bereuter Berman Berry Biggert **Bilirakis** Bishop Blagojevich Blumenauer Blunt Boehlert Boehner Bonilla. Bonior Bono Borski Boswell Boucher Bovd Brady (PA) Brady (TX) Brown (FL) Brown (OH) Brown (SC) Brvant Burr Burton Buyer Callahan Calvert Camp Cannon Cantor Capito Capps Capuano Cardin Carson (IN) Carson (OK) Castle Chabot Chambliss Clay Clayton Clement Clyburn Collins Combest Condit Convers Cooksey Costello Covne Cramer Crane Crenshaw Crowley Cubin Culberson Cummings Cunningham Davis (CA) Davis (FL) Davis (IL) Davis, Tom Deal DeFazio DeGette Delahunt DeLauro DeLav DeMint Deutsch Diaz-Balart Dingell Doggett Dooley Doolittle Doyle Dreier Duncan Dunn Edwards Ehlers Ehrlich Emerson Engel English Eshoo Etheridge Evans

Fletcher Larsen (WA) Larson (CT) Latham LaTourette Fossella Leach Frelinghuvsen Lee Levin Gallegly Lewis (CA) Lewis (GA) Gephardt Lewis (KY) Gibbons Linder Gilchrest LoBiondo Gillmor Lofgren Lowev Lucas (KY) Gonzalez Lucas (OK) Goodlatte Luther Markev Graham Mascara Granger Matheson Matsui Green (TX) Green (WI) Greenwood McCollum McCrery Gutierrez McDermott Gutknecht McGovern Hall (OH) McHugh Hall (TX) McInnis McIntyre McKeon McNulty Harman Hastings (FL) Meehan Hastings (WA) Meek (FL) Meeks (NY) Hayworth Menendez Mica Millender-McDonald Hilleary Miller (FL) Hilliard Miller Gary Hinchey Mink Hinojosa Mollohan Moore Moran (KS) Hoekstra Moran (VA) Morella Murtha Myrick Nadler Hostettler Napolitano Houghton Nea1 Nethercutt Hulshof Ney Northun Hutchinson Nussle Oberstar Ohev Olver Ortiz Osborne Ose Jackson (IL) Otter Jackson-Lee Owens Oxley Jefferson Pallone Jenkins Pascrell Pastor Johnson (CT) Paul Johnson (IL) Pavne Johnson, E. B. Pelosi Johnson, Sam Pence Jones (NC) Jones (OH) Kanjorski Petri Phelps Pickering Pitts Platts Kennedy (MN) Kennedy (RI) Pombo Pomerov Portman Price (NC) Kilpatrick Kind (WI) Prvce (OH) King (NY) Putnam Kingston Quinn Radanovich Kleczka Rahall Knollenberg Ramstad Rangel Kucinich Regula LaFalce Rehberg Reves Lampson

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The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. Fossella). On this rollcall, 418 Members have recorded their presence by electronic device, a quorum.

Under the rule, further proceedings under the call are dispensed with.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2563, BIPARTISAN PA-TIENT PROTECTION ACT

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, I move the previous question on the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on ordering the previous question.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

RECORDED VOTE

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 9 of rule XX, the Chair will reduce to 5 minutes the minimum time for electronic voting, if ordered, on the question of adoption of the resolution

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 222, noes 205, not voting 6, as follows:

[Roll No. 325]

AYES—222

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Akin	Brown (SC)	Cox
Armey	Bryant	Crane
Bachus	Burr	Crenshaw
Baker	Burton	Cubin
Ballenger	Buyer	Culberson
Barr	Callahan	Cunningham
Bartlett	Calvert	Davis, Jo Ann
Barton	Camp	Davis, Tom
Bass	Cannon	Deal
Bereuter	Cantor	DeLay
Biggert	Capito	DeMint
Bilirakis	Castle	Diaz-Balart
Blunt	Chabot	Doolittle
Boehlert	Chambliss	Dreier
Boehner	Coble	Duncan
Bonilla	Collins	Dunn
Bono	Combest	Ehlers

Shimkus

Shuster

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Otter

Spratt Stark

Stenholm

Stupak

Tanner

Tauscher

Thurman

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Towns

Turner

Udall (CO)

Udall (NM)

Velazquez

Visclosky

Watt (NC)

Waxman

Weiner

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Woolsey

Watson (CA)

Waters

Taylor (MS)

Thompson (CA)

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Ehrlich	Kerns
Emerson	King (NY)
English	Kingston
Everett	Kirk
Ferguson	Knollenberg
Flake	Kolbe
Fletcher	LaHood
Foley	Largent
Forbes	Latham
Fossella	LaTourette
Frelinghuysen	Leach
Gallegly	Lewis (CA)
Ganske	Lewis (KY)
Gekas	Linder
Gibbons	LoBiondo
Gilchrest	Lucas (OK)
Gillmor	Manzullo
Gilman	McCrery
Goode	McHugh
Goodlatte	McInnis
Goss	McKeon
Graham	Mica
Granger	Miller (FL)
Graves	Miller, Gary
Green (WI)	Moran (KS)
Greenwood	Morella
Grucci	Myrick
Gutknecht	Nethercutt
Hansen	Ney
Hart	Northup
Hastings (WA)	Norwood
Hayes	Nussle
Hayworth	Osborne
Hefley	Ose
Herger	Otter
Hilleary	Oxley
Hobson	Paul
Hoekstra	Pence
Horn	Peterson (MN)
Houghton	Peterson (PA)
Houghton Hulshof	Petri
Hunter	Pickering
Hutchinson	Pitts Platts
Hyde	Pombo
Isakson	Portman
Issa	Pryce (OH)
Istook	Putnam
Jenkins	Quinn
Johnson (CT)	Radanovich
Johnson (IL)	Ramstad
Johnson, Sam	Regula
Jones (NC)	Rehberg
Keller	Reynolds
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Evans

Fattah

Filner

Ford

Frank

Frost

Gephardt

Gonzalez

Green (TX)

Gutierrez

Hall (OH)

Hall (TX)

Hastings (FL)

Harman

Hilliard

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McCollum

Young (FL)

Hooley

McDermott Pomeroy Price (NC) McGovern McIntyre Rahall McNulty Rangel Meehan Reves Meek (FL) Rivers Meeks (NY) Rodriguez Menendez Roemer Miller, George Ross Rothman Mink Mollohan Roybal-Allard Moore Rush Moran (VA) Sabo Sanchez Murtha Nadler Sanders Napolitano Sandlin Sawyer Oberstar Schakowsky Obey Schiff Olver Scott Ortiz Serrano Owens Sherman Pallone Shows Skelton Pascrell Pastor Slaughter Payne Smith (WA) Pelosi Snyder Phelps Solis

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Mr. ABERCROMBIE changed his vote from "aye" to "no."

So the previous question was ordered. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. FOSSELLA). The question is on the resolution.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

RECORDED VOTE

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 222, noes 205, not voting 6, as follows:

[Roll No. 326]

AYES-222

Collins Aderholt Gibbons Gilchrest Akin Combest Armey Cooksey Gillmor Bachus Gilman Cox Crane Baker Goode Crenshaw Goodlatte Ballenger Cubin Goss Bartlett Graham Culberson Barton Cunningham Granger Graves Green (WI) Davis, Jo Ann Bereuter Davis, Tom Greenwood Biggert Deal Bilirakis DeLav Grucci Blunt DeMint Gutknecht Boehlert Diaz-Balart Hansen Boehner Doolittle Hart Bonilla Hastings (WA) Dreier Duncan Bono Hayes Brady (TX) Hayworth Dunn Brown (SC) Ehlers Hefley Bryant Ehrlich Herger Emerson Hilleary Burton English Hobson Buyer Callahan Everett Hoekstra Ferguson Horn Hostettler Calvert Flake Camp Fletcher Houghton Cannon Foley Hulshof Cantor Forbes Hunter Capito Fossella Frelinghuysen Hutchinson Castle Hyde Chabot Isakson Gallegly Chambliss Ganske Issa. Coble Istook Gekas

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Abercrombie Evans Ackerman Allen Fattah Filner Andrews Baca Ford Baird Frank Baldacci Frost Baldwin Gephardt Barcia. Gonzalez Barrett Gordon Green (TX) Becerra Bentsen Gutierrez Berkley Hall (OH) Berman Hall (TX) Berry Harman Bishop Hastings (FL) Blagojevich Hill Hilliard Blumenauer Bonio Hinchey Borski Hinojosa Boswell Hoeffel Boucher Holden Brady (PA) Holt Honda Brown (FL) Brown (OH) Hooley Capps Hover Capuano Inslee Cardin Israel Carson (IN) Jackson (IL) Carson (OK) Jackson-Lee (TX) Clayton Jefferson Clement Clyburn John Johnson, E. B. Condit Jones (OH) Convers Costello Kanjorski Coyne Kaptur Kennedy (RI) Cramer Crowley Kildee Kilpatrick Cummings Kind (WI) Davis (CA) Davis (FL) Kleczka Davis (IL) Kucinich DeFazio LaFalce DeGette Lampson Delahunt Langevin DeLauro Lantos Deutsch Larsen (WA) Dicks Larson (CT) Dingell Lee Doggett Levin Lewis (GA) Dooley Doyle Lofgren Lowey Lucas (KY) Edwards Engel Eshoo Luther

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Schiff

Scott	Strickland	Udall (NM)
Serrano	Stupak	Velazquez
Sherman	Tanner	Visclosky
Shows	Tauscher	Waters
Skelton	Taylor (MS)	Watson (CA)
Slaughter	Thompson (CA)	Watt (NC)
Smith (WA)	Thompson (MS)	Waxman
Snyder	Thurman	Weiner
Solis	Tierney	Wexler
Spratt	Towns	Woolsey
Stark	Turner	Wu
Stenholm	Udall (CO)	Wynn

NOT VOTING-6

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So the resolution was agreed to. The result of the vote was announced

as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated against:

Mr. BOYD. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 326, H.R. 219, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "no".

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. McNULTY. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. Fossella). The question is on the motion to adjourn offered by the gentleman from New York (Mr. McNulty).

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the noes appeared to have it.

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. McNULTY. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 55, noes 356, not voting 22, as follows:

[Roll No. 327]

AYES—55

NOES-356

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Abercrombie	Bereuter	Burton
Ackerman	Berkley	Buyer
Aderholt	Berman	Callahan
Akin	Biggert	Calvert
Andrews	Bilirakis	Camp
Armey	Bishop	Cantor
Baca	Blagojevich	Capito
Bachus	Blumenauer	Cardin
Baker	Blunt	Carson (IN)
Baldacci	Boehlert	Carson (OK)
Baldwin	Bonilla	Castle
Ballenger	Bono	Chabot
Barcia	Boswell	Chambliss
Barr	Boyd	Clayton
Barrett	Brady (PA)	Clement
Bartlett	Brady (TX)	Clyburn
Barton	Brown (FL)	Coble
Bass	Brown (SC)	Combest
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Bentsen	Burr	Cooksey

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Jackson (IL)

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Price (NC) Pryce (OH) Putnam Quinn Radanovich Rahall Ramstad Rangel Regula Rehberg Reynolds Riley Rivers Rodriguez Roemer Rogers (KY) Rogers (MI) Rohrabacher Ros-Lehtinen Rothman Roukema Roybal-Allard Royce Rush Ryan (WI) Ryun (KS) Sabo Sanchez Sanders Sawver Saxton Schaffer Schiff Schrock Scott Sensenbrenner Serrano Sessions Shadegg Shaw Shays Sherman Sherwood Shimkus Shows Shuster Simmons Simpson Skeen Skelton Smith (MI) Smith (NJ) Smith (TX) Snyder Souder Stark Stearns Stenholm Sununu Sweenev Tancredo Tanner Tauscher Tauzin Taylor (NC) Terry Thomas Thompson (CA) Thompson (MS) Thornberry Thune Thurman Tiahrt Tiberi Toomey Traficant Turner Udall (NM) Upton Visclosky Vitter Walden Walsh Wamp Watkins (OK) Watt (NC) Watts (OK) Weiner Weldon (FL) Weldon (PA) Weller Wexler Whitfield

Young (AK) Young (FL) Portman Wu Woolsev Wvnn NOT VOTING-22 Boehner Harman Menendez Boucher Peterson (MN) Horn Cannon Hunter Scarborough Collins Hutchinson Smith (WA) Lipinski Cox Spence Maloney (CT) Dooley Stump Gephardt Matheson Gutierrez McDermott □ 1451 So the motion to adjourn was reiected. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. TAUZIN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on H.R. 2563.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. Fossella). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Louisiana?

There was no objection.

BIPARTISAN PATIENT PROTECTION ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 219 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the consideration of the bill, H.R. 2563.

□ 1451

IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 2563) to amend the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to protect consumers in managed care plans and other health coverage, with Mr. LAHOOD in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The CHAIRMAN. Pursuant to the rule, the bill is considered as having been read the first time.

Under the rule, the gentleman from Louisiana (Mr. Tauzin), the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. Dingell), the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. Boehner), the gentleman from California (Mr. George Miller), the gentleman from California (Mr. Thomas), and the gentleman from California (Mr. Stark) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Louisiana (Mr. TAUZIN).

Mr. TAUZIN. Mr. Chairman, I yield myself 3 minutes.

Mr. Chairman, on behalf of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, I am pleased to open this debate on the Patient Protection Act. As you know, the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. NORWOOD); the gentleman from Iowa (Mr. GANSKE); my friend, the gentleman